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Subject: Re: 126.2 Steese Highway, Central, Alaska: Cease and Desist Unauthorized Work in Waters of the United States,

including Wetlands

Attachments: EPA C&D Letter - Ryan Smith.pdf; POA-2021-00378.20211109.Alleged Violation Letter2.pdf

In Response to your cease and desist letter,

We have been working with Laurel gale

Have answered all the questions,

Requested, attached in permit packet,

Provided all documentation as requested,

Got permit package filled out,

With all requested attachments,

sent

Back to her via mail,

as of January 28th was last contact with Laurel gale

after sending out packet with requested information and filled out

Army corps of engineers permit packet,

For permit, also

Have obtained

Gravel permit,

and driveway permit app

awaiting issuance,

as of right now, I

was waiting to receive the permit back from them, (army corps of engineers)

Please let us know if this is some sort of mistake,

and as far as I know Laurel gale made notes in system to epa letting them know I was coming into compliance,

and applied for permitting,

Was my understanding.

Please let me know asap.

thank you

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 15, 2022, at 6:00 PM, Jen, Mark < Jen. Mark@epa.gov > wrote:

Dear Mr. Smith;

On behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, you are hereby advised, pursuant to the Clean Water Act (CWA), to **cease and desist** from all unpermitted work in any waters of the United States, including wetlands adjacent to Boulder Creek/Crooked Creek on

property located at 126.2 Steese Highway, near Central, Alaska. Please refer to the attached EPA Letter.

As you are aware, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is conducting an investigation of a reported violation of the CWA. On December 22, 2021, the Corps requested you to provide information within 10 days for your receipt of their letter (POA-2021-00378). Please refer to the attached Corps Letter.

On January 3, 2022, you contacted the Corps Project Manager by telephone, but did not respond to the information request. To date, your written response has not been received by the Corps.

Failure to respond truthfully and accurately to the Corps' information request may subject you to CWA enforcement actions, including, but not limited to, civil and/or criminal sanctions.

The Corps indicated to EPA that the subject property has been listed for sale. Please be advised that the sale of the property does not absolve the seller or the prospective owner from the requirements of the CWA.

EPA is providing a courtesy copy of this letter to the listed real estate broker for the subject property.

Please contact Ms. Laurel Gale, Corps Project Manager, at your earliest convenience. She can be reached at (907) 347-6496 or laurel.a.gale@usace.army.mil.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Mark Jen, Case Officer



Mark S. Jen

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